GENERAL ORDERS, No. 132.

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington, September 17, 1862.

I. Ordered, That Medical Purveyors be required to give bond in the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.

II. The following Regulations have been adopted to govern the allowances to officers under sections 1 and 2, Act of July 17, 1862, "To define the pay and emoluments of certain officers of the Army:"

1. When forage in kind cannot be furnished by the proper department, officers entitled to forage may commute it for the number of horses specified in section 2, upon the certificate of the quartermaster, when there is one, or of the commanding officer, when there is no quartermaster, that forage in kind cannot be furnished. When the officer is on detached duty, his own certificate to the fact, with the additional statement that there is no commanding officer or quartermaster serving with him, will entitle him to the commutation.

2. Officers on leave of absence are not entitled to forage, or to commutation therefor.

3. Officers of the Army and of Volunteers detailed for duty in the Engineers or other branches of the staff, are not, as a matter of course, entitled to the pay, emoluments, and allowances of cavalry officers. But, when ordered by the proper authority to be mounted, and when so mounted at their own expense, they are entitled.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

L. THOMAS.

Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL: